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SUBJECT: US-GREEK DEFENSE COOPERATION AGREEMENT: COMMUNIQUE
REF: ATHENS 6951

1. CHANGES PROPOSED BY GREEKS CITED REFTEL ARE ACCEPTABLE.
2. WE PLAN ANNOUNCE FACT OF INITIALING AT NOON BRIEFING
JULY 28 AND WILL BE PREPARED TO MAKE TEXT OF OFFICIAL
COMMUNIQUE AVAILABLE TO PRESS AND TO RESPOND TO QUESTIONS
ON THE SUBJECT.
3. WE FEEL WE MUST MAINTAIN OUR POSITION OF RESPONDING,
IF ASKED, TO ANY INQUIRIES PRIOR TO FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT
CONCERNING THE POSSIBILITY OF INITIALING OF DCA DOCUMENTS.
WE HAVE LEANED OVER BACKWARDS TO ACCOMMODATE GREEK CON-
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ING CEREMONY, BUT DENIAL OR REFUSAL TO COMMENT ON THE EVE
OF THE CEREMONY WOULD PLACE US IN EXCEEDINGLY AWKWARD
POSITION.

4. FOLLOWING IS CONTINGENCY GUIDANCE WHICH HAS BEEN PRO-
VIDED TO DEPT SPOKESMAN:

Q: IS IT CORRECT THAT THE U.S. AND GREECE ARE CLOSE TO CONCLUDING A DEFENSE COOPERATION AGREEMENT?

A: WE ANTICIPATE THAT LATER THIS WEEK REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWO GOVERNMENTS WILL FORMALLY INITIAL IN ATHENS THE VARIOUS DOCUMENTS RELATING TO A NEW DEFENSE COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE U.S. AND GREECE.

Q: WHAT IS INVOLVED IN INITIALING AND WHO WILL ACTUALLY INITIAL THE DOCUMENTS?

A: THE ENTIRE RANGE OF DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO THE US-GREEK DCA WILL BE INITIALED BY THE RESPECTIVE HEADS OF DELEGATION, EMBASSY CHARGE D'AFFAIRES HAWTHORNE Q. MILLS FOR THE UNITED STATES, AND AMBASSADOR SPIROS CHRYSOSPATHIS FOR GREECE. VANCE

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